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***Purpose***

The purpose of Module 4 is to provide you with the following:

1. Using your *Career Pathway* determined in Module 3 and reviewing the *Harry S Truman High School Course Selection Guide 2013 – 2014* and supporting scheduling documents, you will select your six elective courses for your ninth grade year.

**Assignments and Instructions**

**Module 4 – Question 1**

**Step 1: Review and understand the two words from the Word Wall.**

Perquisite – Something required beforehand, i.e., a previous course or signature.

Prioritize – Rank things according to importance.

**Module 4 – Question 2**

**Step 2.** Watch Truman’s 9th Grade Elective [Power Point](http://guidancenewsthatyoucanuse.wikispaces.com/8th+into+9th+Course+Selection+Presentation+2013+-+2014) Presentation. Some of the questions you may want to consider include: What electives do I want to take? What organizations do I want to become involved with at Truman?

**Step 3.** Read *Benefits of Foreign Language Education and review the* [*College and University*](http://guidancenewsthatyoucanuse.wikispaces.com/8th+into+9th+Course+Selection+Presentation+2013+-+2014) Foreign Language *Requirements* Wiki. Would a language be an appropriate elective given your Career Pathway and career goals?

**Step 4.** Printout and review 9th Grade Course Planning Paper. The planning paper has the following column headings:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **What is your Career Pathway? How does this course support my Career Pathway?** | **Elective Courses** | **Truman’s Prerequisite** | **Armstrong’s Prerequisite** | **My Final Order of Review 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6** |

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1. **What is your Career Pathway?** Refer back to *Module 2 – Question 5 – Step Number 6* and write your *Cluster* Name *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

**How does this course support my Career Pathway? –** When selecting your academic and elective courses, consider this question. Are the courses that you are selecting listed on the Career Pathway, pages 43 – 46, of the Harry S Truman High School Course Selection Guide 2013 and 2014? If not, you may want to talk with your school counselor regarding your selections?

1. **Elective Courses** – These are the elective courses that are available to you for Grade 9. Please keep in mind that you will have more options each year that you are at Truman. In the back of the Harry S Truman High School Course Selection Guide 2013 and 2014, you will find the Grade 10, 11, and 12 Course Selection Worksheets. These worksheets can provide you with the opportunity to plan your elective choices in conjunction with your Career Pathway.
2. **Truman’s Prerequisite** – For certain courses such as languages and Introduction to Engineering Design Truman requires a prerequisite. As stated above in **Elective Courses**, it would probably be a wise decision to review the elective courses that are available to you in Grades 10, 11, and 12 to better plan your four years at Truman. Listed below are three example charts showing how you will need to plan your elective and academic courses to support your Career Pathway and career goals.

Example 1 of How to Schedule Elective Courses to Meet Your Career Pathway and Career Goals

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Goal** | **Grade to be Taken** | **Prerequisites** | **Grade to be Taken** | **Special Notations** | **Career Pathway** |
| 8231 Art III | Grade 12 | 8121 Art II | Grade 11 |  | Arts & Communication |
|  |  | 8021 Art I | Grade 10 | Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation.  8920 Introduction to Art is recommended in Grade 9. | Review Page 43 of the Harry S Truman High School Course Selection Guide 2013 and 2014 for other electives you may want to consider |
| 8232 Painting II | Grade 12 | 8123 Painting I | Grade 11 | Prerequisite: 8021 Art I  8920 Introduction to Art is recommended in Grade 9. | Arts & Communication Review Page 43 of the Harry S Truman High School Course Selection Guide 2013 and 2014 for other electives you may want to consider |

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Example 2 of How to Schedule Elective Courses to Meet Your Career Pathway and Career Goals

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Goal** | **Grade to be Taken** | **Special Notation** | **Prerequisites** | **Grade to be Taken** | **Special Notation** | **Career Pathway** |
| 6150 Honors Spanish V | 12 | Weighted 4.5 | 6140 Honors Spanish IV  Grade of C or higher in Honors Spanish IV and teacher recommendation. | Grade 11 | Weighted 4.5 | All |
| 6140 Honors Spanish IV | Grade 11 | Weighted 4.5 | 6130 Honors Spanish III  Grade of B or high in Spanish II and teacher recommendation. | 10 | Weighted 4.5 |  |
| 6130 Honors Spanish III | 10 |  | 6120 Spanish II | 9 |  |  |
| 6120 Spanish II | 9 |  | Spanish I | 8 | Score of Advanced for Reading for Grade 7 or Principal approval. |  |

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Example 3 of How to Schedule Your Academic Courses to Meet Your Career Pathway and Career Goals

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Goal** | **Grade to be Taken** | **Special Notation** | **Prerequisites** | **Grade to be Taken** | **Special Notation** | **Career Pathway** |
| 4601 AP Biology | 12 | Weighted 5.0 | 4000 Honors Biology  Grade of A in Biology or B or higher in Honors Biology, A in Lab Chemistry, B or higher in Honors Chemistry and teacher recommendation. | Grade 11 or 12 | Weighted 4.5 | Engineering, Science & Technology/Health & Social Services |
| 4000 Honors Biology | Grade 11 | Weighted 4.5 | Grade of B or higher in Science 8 and teacher recommendation. | 9 |  |  |

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1. **Armstrong’s Prerequisite** – Please see your Language or Math teachers if you have any questions about your taking a language or Introduction to Engineering Design.

**Step 5.** Review the chart entitled *Prioritizing My Electives and then* prioritizes your six electives by placing the numbers one to six in the column My Final Order of Review 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

**Step 6.** Print out the Parents/Guardians Letter and give them the letter.

**Step 8.** Course Catalog Pages **(Pages 11 – 36) – Review courses that you may want to take and consider asking your teachers about any particular course within their subject matter with clarifying questions.**

**Step 9.** Harry S Truman High School Course Codes ­ 2013 – 2013 – Reference source.

**Step 10.** Complete VoiceThread forIts In Every One of Us – This would only be completed at this time if the course is being taught online; however, if this module is being taught in a hybrid model, this video would be viewed at the end.

**Step 11**. Grade 9 Course Selection Worksheet– Transfer your elective choices from the9th Grade Course Planning Paper to the Grade 9 Course Selection Worksheet.

**Step 12.** Course Planning Worksheet – Page 48 *–* Transfer all of your academic and elective courses from the Grade 9 Course Selection Worksheet to the corresponding spaces on the Course Planning Worksheet. Keep this document for future reference as you plan out your four years at Truman.

**Step 13.** Harry S Truman High School Course Selection Guide 2013 – 2014 – The pages identified under the Purpose heading are additional resources.

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